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Stated Meeting, Feb. 16, 1847.

VICE PRESIDENT MORTON in the chair.

DONATIONS TO MUSEUM.

Sternum of *Strix brachyotis*, and the fangs of a molar tooth of *Zeuglodon cetoides*, Owen, cut transversely to exhibit its internal structure. From Dr. Joseph Leidy.

Sternum of *Aquila leucocephalus*. From Mr. S. W. Woodhouse.

Two specimens of *Baculites ovatus*, one of them ten inches in length; also a fine specimen of *Ammonites Delawareensis* with the cast of the same, and a specimen of *A. placenta*; all obtained from the marl pit near Moorestown, N. J. Presented by Mr. Lewis T. Germain.

Cranium of *Zygæna malleus*. From Dr. R. E. Griffith.

Fine specimen of Apophyllite from Andreasberg, Upper Harz, Hanover. Presented by Mr. Moss.

DONATIONS TO LIBRARY.

Histoire Physique, Politique et Naturelle de l' Ile de Cuba; par M. Ramon de la Sagra. Livs. 52, 53, 54. From Messrs. Wetherill, Morton, Phillips, Clay, Vaux and Elwyn.

De Candolle's *Prodromus systematis naturalis regni vegetabilis*. Parts 8, 9 and 10. Purchased by Academy.

Vermium terrestrium et fluviatilium seu animalium infusoriorum, helminthicorum, et testaceorum non marinorum, succincta historia. Auctore Othone Fréderico Müller. Vol. 1, Part 1; and vol. 2, quarto. Hafniæ, 1773 and 1774, From Dr. Paul B. Goddard.

Eight additional pages of Dr. Gould's description of Shells of the Exploring Expedition. From the Author.

Mr. Gambel read a paper in continuation of his "Remarks on the Birds of Upper California," which was referred to the committee on the former portions.

Dr. Morton read a notice by Mr. M. Tuomey, State Geologist of South Carolina, of his discovery of the Cranium of *Zeuglodon cetoides*, Owen, in the vicinity of Charleston; accompanied with a drawing of the same. Referred to Dr. Morton, Mr. R. C. Taylor and Dr. Leidy.

A letter was presented by Mr. Moss, addressed by Mr. Graf of St. Petersburg to Baron Wrangel, in relation to exchanges of Birds between the latter and the Academy. Referred to the Zoological committee.

Mr. Gliddon presented a translation of the Hieroglyphical inscription on the Sarcophagus of the Egyptian Mummy now in the Academy.

Meeting for Business, February 23, 1847.

VICE PRESIDENT WETHERILL in the Chair.

The Committee to whom was referred Mr. Haldeman's paper read on the 2d inst., reported in favor of publication.

Descriptions of several new species and one new genus of Insects.

BY S. S. HALDEMAN, A. M.

BLETHISA quadricollis. Black, somewhat bronze; head elongate, transversely impressed behind the eyes, which are prominent; frontal impressions long and bisinuate, posteriorly connected with the transverse impression; labrum quadrate, slightly bisinuate anteriorly; antennæ steel blue, as long as the head and prothorax, four basal articulations glabrous. Prothorax quadrate, bitruncate, wider than the head, slightly rounded on the sides anteriorly, and very slightly sinuated behind the middle; posterior angles rounded; margin depressed and reflexed; transverse impressions very deep, the anterior one in the arc of a circle; dorsal line deep, transversely wrinkled, bi-abbreviated; basal impressions deep, punctured, with an obtuse slightly elevated ridge near the margin. Elytra a little wider than the head, obtusely rounded behind; deeply punctate-striate, striæ somewhat interrupted; 3d interstice with four or five large foveæ; 5th with three foveæ, the anterior one being behind the anterior one of the other range; 6th with two foveæ, one below the humerus, and one (sometimes